

Amendments to the Specification

Page 20, line 16, though page 21, line 5, amend and replace the paragraph as follows:

-- The biasing mechanism 9 further comprises a rear-side lower connecting member 17 for connecting the rear ends of the first link members 12 and 12 of the two X-shaped links 11 and 11, a front-side upper connecting member 18 for connecting the front ends of the first link members ~~{11 and 11}~~ 12 and 12, a front-side lower connecting member 19 for connecting the front ends of the second link members 13 and 13 of the two X-shaped links 11 and 11, and a rear-side upper connecting member 20 for connecting the rear ends of the second link members 13 and 13. Further, the first link members 12 and 12, the rear-side lower connecting member 17 and the front-side upper connecting member 18 are formed as a single component having a shape of a rectangular frame, and similarly, the second link members 13 and 13, the front-side lower connecting member 19 and the rear-side upper connecting member 20 are also formed as a single component having a shape of a rectangular frame. --

Page 21, line 20, through page 22, line 23, amend and replace the paragraph as follows:

-- Moreover, the biasing mechanism 9 is designed so that

when the head placement member 3 sinks as described later, the vertical positional relationship between the line of action of the tension spring 21 and the link shaft 16 functioning as a pivotable connecting portion of the link members 12 and 13 of each of the X-shaped links 11 is reversed, so that X-shaped links 11 and 11 are biased toward the lower contraction direction by the tension spring 21. Actually the rear end portion of the tension spring 21 is engaged to an L-shaped bracket 22 attached to the rear-side lower connecting member 17 at an upper position than the lower connecting member 17. When the X-shaped link 11 is at an expanded state, the center line of the tension spring 21 (line of action of the spring force) is positioned below the link shaft 16, but when the X-shaped link 11 is at its maximum contracted state, as illustrated in FIG. 4(c), the center line of the tension spring 21 is displaced to a position above the link shaft 16 by distance M. Further, on the upper surface of the second link member 13 at the front side of each X-shaped link 11 is disposed a second spring member or leaf spring 23 that opposes to the front-side upper connecting member 18. When the X-shaped link 11 is at an extended state, the front-side upper connecting member 18 is disposed away from the leaf spring 23, but when the vertical positional relationship between the center line of tension spring 21 and the link shaft 16 is reversed, the front-side upper connecting ~~member 19~~ member 18 comes into contact with the leaf spring 23, and the leaf

spring 23 biases the X-shaped link 11 to the upper expanding direction resisting against the biasing force of the tension spring 21, so that the vertical positional relationship between the center line of the tension spring 21 and the link shaft 16 can be reversed again. --

Page 26, last line, through page 27, line 17, amend and replace the paragraph as follows:

-- Furthermore, when the head placement member 3 is depressed, the air in the hollow portion 8 blows out to the exterior through the communicating hole 10. By the blowout air, the head H is cooled, by which the "head-cool, feet-warm" condition is realized. Moreover, the size of the hollow portion 8 is set so that a clearance is formed between a surface 3a of the head placement member 3 and ears Y of the head portion H of the user in a face-up lying position when the head placement member 3 is at its fully depressed state, as shown in FIG. 7. Therefore, even when the head placement member 3 is depressed, the surface 3a of the head placement member 3 will not contact the ear Y and the ear Y will not be bent thereby, so the sleep of the user will not be interfered. Further, in order to ensure a clearance between the surface 3a of the head placement member 3 and the ears Y, the hollow ~~portion 3~~ portion 8 should preferably have a length approximately 1.5 to 2 times the length between the left and

right ears Y and Y of the user, which is actually a lateral length within the range of 30 cm to 40 cm and a height within the range of ~~{60 cm to 80 cm}~~ 60 mm to 80 mm. --